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## PATENT APPLICATION

### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q73802

Frédéric DUQUET

Appln. No.: 10/689,603

Group Art Unit: 3754

Confirmation No.: 6096

Examiner: Lien M. NGO

Filed: October 22, 2003

For: A FLUID DISPENSER

### RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Examiner has identified the application as containing claims directed to three (3) distinct species. The Examiner has required the Applicant to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted. The Examiner believes there are no generic claims. Applicant has been advised that a response to this requirement shall include an identification of the species that is elected and a listing of all claims readable thereon.

In response to the Examiner's requirement, Applicant elects Species I, Figures 1 and 2a-2c for examination on which claims 1-9, 11 and 13-21 are readable.

Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's position that there is no generic claim. In fact, claims 1 and 14 are generic.

Applicant submits that if any of the elected claims are found to be allowable, claims dependent therefrom should similarly be considered allowable in the same application.

Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected claims 10 and 12.

**Response to Election of Species**  
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Respectfully submitted,



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